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Notice of Firms.

NOTICE.

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Insurances.

STANDARD LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY

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FIRE AND MARINE. have This Day been appointed VV AGENTS, and are prepared to accept RISKS at CURRENT RATES.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co. Hongkong, 28th April, 1806. THE MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY.

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1884.

NET ANNUAL FIRE PREMIA...... 757,47 HAVING been appointed AGENTS of the above Company we are prepared to accept EUROPEAN and CHINESE RISKS at CURRENT RATES. HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,

Hongkong, and January, 1806. NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

THE Undersigned AGENTS of the above Company are prepared to accept First Class FOREIGN and CHINESE RISKS at CURRENT RATES.

SIEMSSEN & Co. Hongkong, 28th May, 1895. GENERAL NOTICE.

THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY, (LIMITED.) CAPITAL, TAELS 600,000 } \$833:333:33

RESERVE FUND \$318,000.00. BOARD OF DIRECTORS. LEE SING, Esq. LO YEUR MOOM, Esq. LOU TSO SHUW, Esq.

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HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, FRAYA WEST. Honekone, 17th December, 1885.

NOTICE, THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

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Secretary HEAD OFFICE, No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST! -Honskons, 26th May, 1804

Intimations.

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Intimations.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

CAPTAINS LONDON, &c. ... RosettaF. N. Tillard Noon, 10th Sept... Advertisement

Freight or Passage. (Passing through) the Inland Sea.)

For Further Particulars, apply to H. A. RITCHIE, Superintendent,

W. POWELL & CO.

LACES.

Hongkong, 3rd September, 1896.

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NEW RIBBONS.

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Hongkong, 1st September, 1896.

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Intimations.

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TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS.

Hongkong, 25th June, 1805.

1030]

"EXCELSION," HONGKONG,

TELEPHONE,

No. 35. THE TEMPERATURE IS AT LEAST 10 DEGREES COOLER THAN IN QUERNS ROAD. TIFFIN AT 1 7.X. DINNER AT 8 P.M.

ARRANGEMENTS can be made for TIFFIN or DINNER PARTIES in PRIVATE DIMING-ROOMS. For further Particulars apply to

Hangkong, 27th July, 1806

THE MANAGER, MOUNT AUSTIN HOTEL

BREWER & CO

POOTS and SHOES.

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YUEN WO.

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A DELICIOUS RICH LIQUEUR. PER HOTTLE ... \$2.50. HALF-BOTTLE ... \$1.25.

ORANGE GIN PER BOTTLE ... 75 CENTS.

PRICE & CO.,

WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS, No. 19, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL. Hongkong, 31st August, 1806.

THE HONGKONG BUTCHERY

VEAL SAUSAGES.

25 CENTS PER POUND.

, TATAM,

PROPRIETOR

To-dan's Advertisements.

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

COMPETITION.

THERE will be a SPOON COMPETITION TO-MORROW (SATURDAY), the 5th instant, over the 200, 500 and 600 yards distancer, Seven Shels and a "Sighter" at each, commencing at 2.45 P.M.; usual conditions.

INTERPORT MATCH.

This Match will probably take place during the last ten days of October, over the above three distances, and Members are requested to get into Practice for the event as early as possible. Details of Special Practice Competitions will be announced shortly.

> " F. SMYTH. Honorary Secretary.

Hongkong, 4th September, 1896.

CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

HE THIRTIETH ORDINARY MEET-

ING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above COMPANY will be held at the HEAD OFFICE, Victoria, Hongkoop, on SATURDAY, the 26th -instant, at Twelve o'clock NOON, for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors and Statement of Accounts to 30th April last and of Declaring Dividends.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 13th to the 26th Instant, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors, W. H. RAY.

Hongkong, 4th September, 1896.

TO LET.

FINHE SIX ROOMED HOUSE with outhouses, No. 18, HOLLYWOOD ROAD. A LARGE ROOM on the Ground Floor of No. 31, WYNDHAM STREET. Suitable for Office or Shop.

SHOP-No. 61, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL. DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co. Hongkong, 4th September, 1896.

"MOGUL" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S, S, "MOGUL," FROM GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL, MIDDLESBROUGH AND STRAITS.

ONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notices to the contrary be given before 4 P.M. TO-DAY. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 10th instant will be subject

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 10th instant, or they will not be recognized. All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be

examined on the 10th instant, at 3 P.M. No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,

Hongkong, 4th September, 1896.

"Glen" line of Steam packets.

FROM MIDDLESBRO', LONDON AND STRAITS.

THE Steamship

having arrived from the above Ports, Consigness of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon TO-DAY. Cargo remaining undelivered after the 11th

instant will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Consignees are sequested to present all Claims for damages and/or shortages not later than the 18th instant, otherwise they will not be

recognised. All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 11th instant, at 11 A.M. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Agents. Hongkong, 4th September, 1806.

"RICKMERS" REGULAR LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES. FROM MIDDLESBRO', ANTWERP AND HAMBURG.

T'HE Company's Steamship "DOROTHEA RICKMERS." having arrived from the above Ports, Consigness of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk. Into the Godowns of the Hengkong and Kowloon Wharf- and Godown Company, Kowloon, whence delivery

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may be obtained!

All broken, chaled and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined on the rith instant, at 3 P.M.

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TO-DAY. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co. Hongkong, 4th September, 1806,

Co-day's Advertisements.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY. FOR SANDAKAN AND KUDAT. THE Company's Steamship

" MEMNON," Captain Mogridge, will be despatched as above TO-MORROW, the 5th lustant, at Noon. For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Hongkong, 4th September, 1896.

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR TIENTSIN. THE Company's Steamship

"NANCHANG," Captain Finlayson, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 8th instant, at 3 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE Agents. Hongkong, 4th September, 1896.

OREGON RAILWAY AND NAVIGA-TION COMPANY'S PACIFIC STEAMSHIP LINE.

CHINA AND JAPAN. PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGEONG, 1896.

(Subject to Alteration.) Mount Lebanon | Saturday ... | 12th September. TAKING PASSENGERS AND CARGO FOR UNITED STATES AND CANADA AT THROUGH RATES.

HE Steamship

"MOUNT LEBANON"

will be despatched hence for VICTORIA, (B.C.), and PORTLAND, OREGON, via KOBE and YOKOHAMA, on SATURDAY, the 12th Consular Invoices of Goods for United States

Points should be in OUADRUPLICATE: and one Copy must be sent forward by the Steamer to the care of the GENERAL FREIGHT AGENT, Oregon Railway and Navigation Co., Portland, For further information as to Passage and

Freight, apply to SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., Hongkong, 4th September, 1806.

"GIBB" LINE OF CHINA AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMERS.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE. (Calling at PORT DARWIN, and QUEENSLAND PORTS if sufficient inducement offers and taking through Cargo to ADELAIDE, ' NEW ZEALAND, TASMANIA, &c.)

THE Steamship "PATHAN." Captain Day, will be despatched for the above Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 16th instant, at

For Freight or Passage, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co, Managers. Hongkong, 4th September, 1896.

"Glen" line of Steam Packets.

FOR LONDON, VIA SUEZ CANAL THE Steamship

"GLENFRUIN," Captain Darke, R.N.R., will be despatched as

above on WEDNESDAY, the 16th instant, at 4 P.M., instead of as previously advertised. For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,

Hongkong, 4th September, 1806.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO. THE Aa I. British Bark "CASABLANCA,"

Cantley, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch. For Freight, &c., apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co. Hongkong, 4th September, 1806.

AN APPEAL

THE SUPERIORESS of the ITALIAN CONVENT, CAINE ROAD, begs most respectfully to APPEAL to the Residents of Hongkong and the Coast Ports, for their kind patronage and support, and desires to state that she will be pleased to receive orders for all kinds of NEEDLE WORK

Gentlemen's Shirts made to order, and Cuffs and Collars renewed on old ones. Ladies and Children's Under-clothing.

Children's Dresses, and all kinds of Embroidery, Materials can be supplied, if required. The Superioress will also be most grateful for any PAPER, or old ENVELOPES to be made into Books for the Children of the Poor Schools, who

are taught by the Sixters. Honestony, 22nd April, 1804.

Intimations.

DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK & COMPANY, LIMITED,

VICTORIA DISPENSARY, HONGKONG,

AERATED WATERS.

CIMPLE AERATED WATER

CODA WATER. EMONADE.

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Special terms to HOTELS, CLUBS, MESSES and other Large Consumers. Any complaints should be addressed to the

Monager.

(Special to Hongkong Telegraph.) GREAT FIRE AT CANTON. SEVERAL LIVES LOST.

CANTON, September 4th.

densely populated part of this city knows as Tong Yu Lan. Upwards of 200 houses have been destroyed.

persons were burnt to deaths. The Shameen Fire Brigade did splendid

work in rescuing women and children from burning houses.

CRETE.

LONDON, September and, been promulgated in Crete.

MATABELELAND. General Carrington reports that operations are

now proceeding against six rebel forces located chiefly in the Buluwayo and Salisbury districts.

by an innings and thirty-eight suns.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Chess Tournament.

As will be seen by an advertisement in this lesue, the famous Ching Ling Foo troupe of wonder-workers are ready to give entertainments at private residences, schools, etc.

A HOME paper hears that the Marquis of Breadalbane contemplates porceeding on a tour to India in the autumn. He would thence proceed in the spring of next year to China and

Hung-chang on the 8th ulto.

IT will doubtless greatly interest a large number of property owners in the colony to know that the emasculated remnant of what was at one time a properly and legally constituted Sanitary Board lost another case in the Supreme Court to-day, judgment being given for the plaintiffs for \$434.05 and the costs of the action. Vide report in another column.

To-MORROW, 45th September,

SUMDAY, -- 6th September,

Intimation.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.



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Our Registered Telegraphic Address is "DISPENSARY, HONGKONG," And all signed messages addressed thus wi receive prompt attention.

The following is a List of Waters always kept ready in Stock:-

PURE AERATED WATER, SODA WATER,

LITHIA WATER

LEMONADE,

POTASH WATER, SELTZER WATER

SARSAPARILLA WATER, TONIC WATER,

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GINGER ALE,

No Credit given for Bottles that look dirty or greasy, or that appear to have been used for any other purpose than that of containing Acrated Waters, as such Bottles are never used again

A. S. WATSON & CO., LD. THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY, Hongkong, 4th July, 1806.

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 1896.

TELEGRAMS.

At 9.30 last night fire broke in the

It is reported that at least a dozen

REUTER'S MESSAGES.

A new organic law embodying reforms has

Thornton's eleven has beaten the Australians

MR. H. LASKER (English) won the World's

To a soldier and a friend of China as a bibute of respect " are the words of the inscription attached to the wreath laid upon the statue of General Gordon in Trafalgar Square by Li

MEMORANDA,

American mail due. 4 p.m.-V. R. C. Aquatic Sports.

according to telegrams published in Sydney papers received by the Tsinan to-day, anticlpated in Great Britain for a minimum wage and the compulsory employment of unionists. The English Trade-union leaders seem to be qualifying rapidly for vacancies in lun-tic asylums.

On the 20th ultimo a great shipping strike was,

THE Volunteer Camp of Instruction will be held at Stonecutters' Island from the 10th to the 18th October. It is reported that Major Pemberton, the Commandant, has sent a circular to the various business houses requesting employers to give the valunteers iln their employ as much leave as possible during the week.

A SHOCKING fatality occurred during a performance at the Novelty Theatre, in Great Queenstreet, London, on the 11th ultimo. Mr. W. Francis, one of the actors, stabbed Mr. Temple Croxler, another actor, with a dagger. M: Crezier fell, and died instantaneously. The accident was caused through the failure of the danger-spring of the dagger.

Thus the Singapore Free Press in a recent issue !- "Says the Hongkong Telegraph :-'Jolly Old Opportunist' and 'Good Old swimming was well up in the front ran! Opportunist sare the very latest titles conferred on Li Hung-chang. The Singapore Free Press is the gracious donor, and it expects nothing in return-not even a five-eyed peacock's feather W. Dunman, A. K. Travers, C. J. Hirst, or the Order of Double-headed, five-horned and ten-tailed dragon,-We commend the perspicacity of the H. T. Right again as usual !"

ON the 20th ultimo the London correspondent of the Sydney Daily Telegraph wired: "Much excitement has been aroused throughout England, owing to recent movements in the Transvaal. The London Times states that the Transvvaal Republic will shortly proclaim its independence and freedom from England's suserainty and asserts that Germany is tacitly supporting the Boer Government. The article concludes with the assertion that if England's 'supremacy is thus directly challenged she has no option but to take steps to have the point settled definitely and permanently."—Quite so. The Boers are becoming such a nuisance that it would be an act of kindness to "pacify" them and put their house in order. Everything seems to be to pay-turvey in the puppet republic ruled by Oom Paul

GREAT FIRE AT CANTON.

TWO HUNDRED HOUSES DESTROYED,

DESPERATE RODDERIES.

GALLANT RESCUE BY SHAMEENITES. Our Canton correspondent forwards the follow-

ing details of the disastrous fire that broke out

in Canton about 9 30 last night :--About 9.45 last night the citizens of Canton were aroused from their slumbers by the stirring chimes of the fire bells. " It appears that through what is said to have been an accidentpossibly the upsetting of a kerosene lamp-a Prizes. house of ill-fame in the notorius Tong Yu Lan district caught fire and as the gates the streets leading into the district were shut, about half an hour elspeed before any systematic effort was made to put it out. At about 10 pm., however, the local fire brigade, under command of four Imperial officers, appeared on the scene. Unfortunately, by this time the fire had spread and the inmates (most of them women of the" unfortunate" class were da great danger as their street doors were locked. The crowd that soon gathered ultimately took the law into its own hands and broke open the doors in every direction It seems that the keepers of these houses of illfame, of which the main street in this district is composed, locked and barred the doors to prewent robbers, with which the city swarms, under the pretext of going to the rescue, from looting the premises and kidnapping the hapless ismates. That their fears were not groundless was soon made manifest, for no sooner were the doors broken open than robbers, armed with short swords and revolvers, rushed in looting the maisons de plaisir, drinking native wine, and in many instances carrying off the defenceless inmates. A shecking scene of robbery and revolting outrages followed and the district was given up to pillage and savagery of every description. As usual, when wanted, the Imperial troops were either absolutely non est or were themselv.s engaged in the game of plunder and outrage-making hay while the sun was shining.

as is their went. The native fire brigade being unable to cope with the fire owing to great lack of water, the division gates were thrown open and the scum of the city poured into the doomed section, with disastrous results to the leading storekeepers A well known silk dealer's store in the vicinity of the fire was entered by a gang of 200 armed men, who said they had been sent by the Governor of the city to zeroue the goods. The proprietor of the store soon found that was in the hands of thieves, for the mer set to work to loot and when an attempt was made to arrest the leader of the gang the master of the shop was deliberately shot down as a warning to the other inmates to keep their hands off the marauders. Several other outrages of this kind are reported from various parts of

the ill-fated district. Fortunately about midnight the well drilled Shameen Fire Brigade arrived on the scene tackled the fire in a business-like manner and scared off the robbers who by this time had got possession of many thousands of dollars worth of goods, several young women, and a good deal of money. By persistent efforts the brigade gradually got the mastery over the flames and by 7 o'clock this morning all danger was over.

Upwards of 200 houses have been destroyed and damage to the extent of at least \$100,000 has been done. It is said at least a dozen persons perished in the flames, The Shameen Brigade rescued many women:

and children from burning konsec.

VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB AQUATIC SPORTS.

First Day,—Friday, 4th September, 1896: President :- Hir Excellency Sir William Robirson, K.C.M.G.

Chairman:-Hon, Comdr. W. C. H. Hastings, R.N. (Reid.) Committee:-M. A. A. Sours, Esq.; " Donison, Esq.; R. F. Lammert, Esq.; E. Bischoff, Esq.; T. H. Reid, Esq.; R. K. Leigh, Erq.; W. Machell, Esq.; G. A. Caldwell, Esq.

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Referee: R. K. Leigh, Esq. Starter: G. A. Caldwell, Esq. -Official Time-keeper :- Mr. A. A. Souza, Esq.

Handleappers :- R. F. Lammert, Erq. ; G. C.

Hayward, Eig.; M.A. A. Souza; Eig.

There was a much larger attendance than usual at the Aquatic Sports of the ever-popular V.R.C. which commenced this afternoon, and on the whole the competitions were at least equal to if not a wee bit more spirited than they have been in recent years. An old stager visiting the Bath-house after a lapse of a few years cannot fail to be struck with the altered conditions of the sport; filteen or twenty years ago th of local athletic exercises and for several years in the eighties the splendid form displayed by such 'crack' exponents of th art of natation as Dudley Travers, Joe McLeod Frank Grimble and numbers of others, enabled these annual carnivals to retain a firm grip on the public interest. It would appear, however that with time, things have been a good deal changed, and the powerful swimmers who fought for superiority to the bitter end in th good old days have, with a few brilliant excep tions, made way for a new generation of youth and school boys. The "Leanders" of the past have become the spectators of the presen era. It must be admitted, however, that th juvenile natatists of the Victoria Recreation Club are thorough masters of the art of swiming, and it may be reasonably doubted whether any port in the East can produce a better al round team of swimmers and divers than could be selected among these who are entered

for the competitions now in progress. -This afternoon the proceedings commence under exceedingly favourable climatic conditions The weather was bright, the water smooth, and the sun that had been shining on the placid waters of the harbour raised the temperature of the bring deep to a degree that relieved anxious parents of all fears of their sons and heirs con tracting colds, getting cramps, or any other ill: to which Irall humanity, when exposed to the elements, is only too prone to succumb. His Excellency the Governor, accom-

Boyes, R.N., and a number of leading residents mayal, military, and civil. By kind permission of Major Retallick and the Officers of the Hongkong Regiment, the Band played during the afternoon. The results of the contests were as follows :-

panied by Captain Sterling, A.D.C., and

the Hon. J. H. Stewart Lockhart, Colonial

Secretary, was present, as also Commodore

J. M. E. Carralno rat; C. T. Kew and. A the first attempt Carvalho and Kew tied, each bringing up 11 cups. In the final Carvalho beat Kew by 3 points. Plunging .- Two Prizes.

I. M. E. Carvalho (50 feet 10 ins.) 1st;

DIVING FOR OBJECTS .- (Two Prizos.)

Millar (48 feet 4 ins.) and. CHAMPION RACE, 2 Lengths, (Scratch), Two J. M. E. de Carvalho zet ; A. A. Alves and ; W. A. Stopani 3rd. Time, 53 seconds.

RUNNING HEADER FROM SPRING BOARD, lost. Two Prizes. R. F. Lammert 1st; A. E. Alves and; T. M. E. Carvalho ard. she was launched as the Goril. She was owned Lammert disposed of the field of eleven with by the Persian Guli Steamship Company, comparative case, adding one more to an already

long list of triumph at these squatic sports, BOYS' RACE (over 15 and under 18). Two Lengths (Handicap.) - Two Prizes. 13 Bays competed. Pereira. (20 secs start) 1st ; Jorge. (5 secs

start) and ; Botelho (15 secs) 3rd. Time, 881 secs. SHORT RACE, 'z lengths. (Handleap.) F. Lammert 1st; W. A. Stopeni and; A. A.

Smith, Miller and White also competed Time, f4 secs. WATER POLO.—(Teams of Seven.) A splendid contest. For Red A. Alves scored one.

For White W. Armstrong second one. half time the game stood at I goal each. In the second half the score was :--Red, A. A. Aives : point. J. M. E. de Carvalho z point.

W. A. Stopani z point.

able to the officials concerned.

" W. A. Stopani z point. Totals: Red 5 goals; White 1. Won by four geals. The sports will be continued at 4 o'clock toto a conflict with the United States owing to the morrow afternoon, and in the meantime all that need be said is that the arrangements were

THE "CATTERTHUN" GOLD.

excellent, the handleapping highly satisfactory,

and the general management distinctly credit-

£5000 RECOVERED.

SYDNRY, August 11th. The manager of the New Zealand Insurance Company (Mr. Samuel Hague Smith) was yesterday in receipt of the most encouraging message which has yet been received from the salvage party at the Catterthun wreck. The wire was from Mr. Gordon Dixon, and was to the effect that one favourable day's weather would be sufficient to enable the divers to bring the gold to the surface. On Friday the gold was seen in the tank by Diver Briggs within reach, so to speak, but he could not grasp it, owing to the current. The steal line down which the divergoes broke adrift, and it was while Mr. Briggs was reinstating it that the packages were seen in the tank. There are several boxes. One contains £5,000 and the remaining £5,000 is in some eight or more smaller packages. The electric light does not appear to have been necessary in order to see the packages. Such was the report of a gentleman who has returned from the operations. He also states that the longest time a diver has been below is II minutes, and that four dives a days is the most a man can stand.

SYDNEY, August 19th. The divers have succeeded in recovering 5,000 sovereigns from the wrecked steamer Calterthun. The work of recovery is being carried on under great difficulties on account of the strong currents and the depth-26! (athoms-which is said to be the greatest depth of water in which Patliament expressing her gratification at the diving work has ever been attempted. The ultimate recovery of the balance of the specie is proposed celebration should be reserved until considered a certainty .- Dally Telegraph.

NEWS BY THE AUSTRALIAN MAIL.

The China Navigation Co.'s steamer Tsiman. Capt. T. Moore, from Sydney and ports, arrived in harbour to-day. For the subjoined telegrams we are indebted to our Colonial exchanges :-

LONDON, August 8th. The following will represent England in the third test match against Australia on Monday :-Dr. W. G. Grace (Gloncestersbire), J. T. Hearne (Middlesex), A. Mold (Lancashire), F. S. Jackson (Yorkshire), R. Peel (Yorkshire), Pougher (Leicestershire), A. A. Lilley (Warwickshire), A. E. Stoddart (Middlesex), Prince Raniltsinbil (M.C.C. and Sussex) Cap'ain E. G. Wyndard (Hampshire), A. E. M'Laren (Lancashire).

Abel, Hayward, and Richardson have reconsidered their determination not to play in the match, and have placed themselves in the hands of the committee of the Surrey Club, who will decide the matter on Monday morning, when the team will be finally selected.

[The question raised in the above cable, comparing the wages paid to professionals and the expenses allowed to amateurs, has been a yexatious one for many years past, but it appears to be no nearer settlement than when it was first mooted. The amateur cricketer exists under a weiled professionalism. The professional-or player as he is called in England-receives a fixed fee per match; an amateur is allowed so much for expenses, and almost without exception. that sum exceeds the fee paid to the player. Some years ago the M.C.C. held an inquiry into the matter, but without any satisfactory result being arrived at. All that that club did was to debar from the Gentlemen v. Players match at Lord's any amateur who had been known to accept more than his expenses, and one gentleman frank enough to admit that he had taken more than his expenses, retired from the match. It is impossible to carry on cricket, especially in England, where it is pursued for five consecutive months in the year, without the professional, and there is no disgrace in it. But where a professional would make £10, the gentleman would probably not £50. In some cases, very rare indeed, a gentleman finding it impossible to further play as an amateur becomes a professional. Many cases could be quoted, and also cases where complimentary matches have been granted to the "amateur," but when for the benefit of the "pro" it is rightly named a "benefit." One of such matches was played in England not so very long ago, and resulted in a failure; but the papers of the day, recognising the injustice of the proceeding, were, rather jubilant therewith than otherwise. Until the M.C.C. finally adjusts this question, the existing condition of affairs will remain a dark blot on the otherwise

noble game of cricket.] The Chinese Viceroy the day before yesterday laid a wreath upon the statue of General Gordon, in Trafalgar Square. Li Hung-chang and his suite bowed reverently before the statue. Awrenth was subsequently placed by the Chinese Viceroy on the cenotaph of General Gordon in St. Paul's Cathedral in the presence of the boys of the Gordon Boys' Home, Chobbam. The wreath was inscribed, " To a Soldier and a friend of China, as a tribute of respect."

August roth, Don Antonio Canovas, the Premier of Spain, speaking in the Cortes, declared that if the Spaniards wearled of the war with the Cuban insurgents he would leave public life for ever. He believed that Spain was willing to exhaust its resources to maintain the integrity of its dominions. The British steamer Mushtart, which left

Bombay 24 days ago with army stores and specie, hound for Suakim, has not arrived at Aden. It is believed that the steamer has been The Muskiari is an iron screw steamship of 1768 tons, built by Messrs. Wigham, Richardson, and Co., of Newcastle-on-Tyne, in 1883, when

Limited, who sold her to new owners last year, when the name was changed, An infurated mob broke open the gaol at Habneville, New Orleans, and select and lynched three Italian prisoners, who were charged with the murder of an American.

The Italian Government has forwarded a communication to the Government of the United States demanding that an inquiry should be instituted into the lynching of three Italian prisoners at Habneville, New Orleans. At a meeting of depositors of the Commercial Bank of Australia to-day the modified scheme of reconstruction was adopted by a large majority.

for Suakim with stores for the Indian contingent in the Soudan, which, owing to her non-arrival at Aden it was feared had been lost, arrived at Muccet, in the south-east of Arabia, on July 31, The captain had changed the route of the steamer. Senor Sagasta, the ex-Premier of Spain. speaking in the Cortes, said he shared the fears of Senor Canovas del Castillo, the Premier, as

Those in favour of the re-arrangement

represented £1,500,000, as against only £34,000.

The British steamer Moshtart, from Bombay

Cuban revolt. An alliance with France, he added, was impossible, The Duke of Abercorn, the Marquis of Londondersy, and other members of the House of Lords have written to the Times in terms which minimise the importance of the amendments made by the House of Lords in the Irish Land Acts Amendment Bill. The Times. writing on the matter, states that it is no longer in the power of the House of Lords to insist upon amendments when the House of Commons strongly object to them.

ing to the limit of £50 for fair tent instead of £100, will certainly be rejected. August 11th. The New York World states that Mr. D. B. Hill, the Governor of New York, will support the candidature of Mr. W. J. Bryan, the "boy orator," for the Presidency, and of Mr. Sewel

The Standard states that the amendment

which Lord Cloncurry carried last week, adher-

for the Vice-Presidency, in the Democratic The strike of the workmen employed at the gasworks at Lisbon has ended. Reports from Spitzbergen state that Dr.

Andree's balloon split just before starting on his voyage to the North Pole, and that the attempt to reach the Pole had been deferred. The Government of Hawaii has arranged to float a loan in New York. The amount required is 3,500,000 dollars, and the proceeds of the loan are to be devoted to the conversion of existing

Mr. Donald MacIntosh, the Victorian crack shot, has won -20 leading shooting events in England and Belgium. In reply to a publicly-expressed desire that

16th September should be proclaimed as 1 general holidsy for the celebration of the sixtleth anniversary of the Queen's reign in a manner similar to that on the occasion of the Jubilee celebrations, her Majesty has sent a message to loyally of her subjects, and asking that the the completion of the stricth year of her reigns

Mr. Justice Vaughan Williams baseunconditionally sanctioned the modified scheme of reconstruction in connection [with the Commerclal Bank of Australia.

Adelaide, August 17th. 'A number of it fluential merchants and politiclans, lunched on, board the new steamship Australia on Saturday last, on the invitation of the local agents of the E. & A. Steam ? avigation Company. The Premier and Mr. Griffiths responded to the toast of "The Parliament." The Treesurer proposed "Prosperity to the E. & A. Steam Navigation Company," commented in hopeful terms on the prospects opening up for the Northern Territory, and stated his belief that a strong tide of prospectors and capitatists would shortly set in in that direction.

Professor Nansen, the renowned Arctic explorer, has returned. He states that he failed to achieve the main object of his bezerduos venture, the furthest point reached being 85 deg. ram, north, which, however, is the nearest approach to the North Pole yet recorded. The death of nearly all the dogs, and the giving out of the food supplies, prevented complete success. The steamer Fram has been left behind. immevably fixed in the solid ice, but the crew are all safe.

Li Hung-chang has had an interview with the Right Hon. W. E. Gladstone, in the course of which the Chinese Envey stated that China Intends building a system of railways throughout the Emp're. Litaiso complained of the anti-Chinese legislation of the Australian colonies : in reply to which Mr. Gladstone stated that Australia's connection with England was purely voluntary, and the latter was in no way responsible for the actions of its self-governing colonies

The Druids' Lodges are prosecuting Gould, their late Secretary, for delalcations amounting to close on £2000.

Surrey scored 195, and 90 for four wickets The Australians, in first innings, scored 224. Rain stopped further play and the match was drawn. The proposed match in Paris has been abandoned.

A great shipping strike is anticipated in Great Britain, for a minimum wage and the compulsory employment of Unionists.

JAPAN AND AUSTRALEA.

ARE THEY TO TRADE TOGETHER ? BRISBANE, August 4th.

The great question of our future commercial

relations with Japan will no doubt depend large-

power. Left in the hands of Australian communi ics so largely dominated by the selfish, and at the same time audactous policy of labour leaders, the two nations must inevitably drift apart, and the trade which would enrich the colonies will pass into the hands of nations which: have neither part nor lot with us. So far as this interference on the part of the working classes is concerned, we have already suffered both in the world's estimation and our own pockets. The labour people themselves have suffered; they have passed from comfort to poverty, and have driven trade from our shores without | breeze, or draught as he would call it, so that i the least advantage to themselves, either that patricular which crystallises colonies into Also, he cannot endure a punkah. All this, hewhich finds its ultimate limit in the personal misery of their followers. And for this personal ment, as its inhabitants like to call it, and may aggrandisement, national peace and expansion | call it fairly, is exactly the situation that a suffering mass of devoted, followers being the and do his business, for Shanghai is built, to all bose, mouthing representatives of unknown grievances, whom they have elected to express their views on the platform or in the senate. and depression; who do no good themselves. except for themselves, and prevent their following from participating in the emoluments which and divide up the shadow among their people. ment in diplomatic embarrassment with insulted paragraph :-

The intimation was received with a grimace of Japanese effectiveness but French polish.' To class a Japanese in any way whatever with a Chinaman is to perform a seriously untactful action in Japan at present, for the triumph gained by the Mikado's forces in the recent war has left manyclasses of the people exceeding well affected towards themselves." Whereupon the Minister remarked, "My

opinion is that if Australians polities all fapanese they will be committing a sort of political suicide." The interviewer explained that the Trades Unions leased that the Japanese would be coming in numbers, coolies, and the celebrated vehicle of China, the and that competition with them on their own only one not imported by the foreigner—the ground would inevitably tend to their great passenger-barrow, with seats arranged over the disadvantage, as the Japaness workers live | wheel like those of an Islah jaunty-car, on more simply, and could therefore work for which semetimes a whole family sits and smaller wages than the white man. His whirled gaily along by a muscular coolie. One Excellency expressed no objection to the exclu- | here thinks of the overloaded donkey-shay to be sion of Japanese labourers under contract, and seen at times in London. The river in front of 1 sun graced the proceedings with a bright warm admitted the contention of the trade unions, but | the Bund is full of native craft and foreign added, "If you do more than that you will in my | shipping, opium hulks, gunboats of all nations. | he had been a stranger in those parts for a conto point out that if the prohibition was to extend | cargo at Woosung and have come up to the city beyond the exclusion of coolies, that decision to wait their turn for the homeward voyage. A would display shortsightedness from a com- network of narrow streets is behind the Bund. It was howled at by a thousand throats in a mercial standpoint, and that "it would injure the | these streets becoming Chinese in their character | dezen languages, and apparently startled, turned colonies more than it would Japan," These and architecture as you go inward. Foreigners people are not disposed to be sat upon, excluded. Delonging to the British settlement, who have or in any way insulted or humiliated in the face not houses provided for them on the Bund, live peller worked excitedly for half an hour or so, but of nations; and this exclusion would be an insult in the neighbourhood of the Bubbling-Well If it extended beyond the line indicated. They Road, to reach which they have to take the was soon high and dry on the muddy beach. are admittedly in want of raw material, picturerque thoroughfare called by " especially wool and hides," and, under the new | municipality Nanking Road, but known to army scheme, horses, which would have to be Chinese and foreigners as the Ma-lbe. It is a the German gun-boat Illis, till then unbeaten on purchased by merchants sent by them to the wide, straight and well-kept road, shut in on colonies, "and if," added the Viscount, "you both sides by Chinese shops and houses, whose The American warships did not compete, either poll-tax indifferently such men as these and the | characteristic shape, combined with the gaily | because Americans do not enter for a race that common Japanese coolies, it is of course hardly | coloured sign-boards, scrolls and lanterns, make | is not a certainty for their side, or because they likely that they will trouble. Australia with their a very pleasing coup d'ail. The road is had no excursion-steamers to disturb the course custom." The urbane Minister did not comment | thronged with innumerable Chinamen and their | H.M.S. Archer and Daphne entered a boat upon "the international unfriendliness involved families, who live, trade and thrive under foreign spiece. When the race approached the goal. in the Australian proposal, or its partial practical protection. They are generally clad in the Daphne's boat was far ahead, and that of hostility to the spirit of the Anglo-Japanese raiment of a light blue colour, though here and the Illis, like Apollo of old, was pursuing her liberty of the English in Japan. The becaused skin of the Chinaman, is the complexion a state of vocilerous delight over the result. general tenor, however, of his remarks displayed of these Chinese in the north. Their red cheeks

characterize as ridiculous on the part of the Go- most disappointing well it is when you get to can accomplish that will not be successfully achieved by them. These people are not: therefore, to be catalogued with Chinese or South Sea Islanders, nor are they to be poll-taxed or humiliated at the dictation of Trade Unions or demagogues: Their advancing civilisation, and progressive policy, removes them from the category of objectionable people, and places them on a parity with the white races, which enables them to lay just claim to similar treatment and consideration. - Queensland Mercantile Gazette.

A BIRD'S-EYE VIEW OF SHANGHAI.

THE CLUB, THE MALOO, THE BUND, &C., &C.

The following "write up" of Shanghai is from the pen of the travelling correspondent of the Singapore Free Press, whose report on Hongly upon our attitude towards that great Eastern | kong we reproduced on the 27th ultimo. It is not exactly warns, but is chatty and fairly interesting, and as it will doubtless interest a good many of our readers, especially Shanghailanders, we don't mind running the risk of being considered tedious because we give it in extenso as it appeared in the columns of our throughly up-to-date and enterprising Straits contempo-

The Dutch colonist has a natural love for flat. low-lying, swampy country, and a terror of a he is compelled for his health's sake to go to the pecuniarily or socially. They are guided hills, he builds his sanatorium in a hollow of the in their actions and utterances not by mountain, and shuts out the air with trees. nations, but by a desire for self-glorification cause he takes no exercise, and is therefore afraid that he will go out like the snuff of a aggrandisement of the leaders, and the deeper | candle if he catches a cold. The Model Settleof commerce are to be risked; the reward of the Dutch colonist would choose to fix his abode reflection of the substance enjoyed by the ver- appearance, on fiats of Yangtse mud. For miles round the city the country is a great green plain. cut into an irregular pattern by canals and creeks, and so flat that the inhabitants bave Can any but imaginary advantages be shown as | got into the habit of calling some mounds, near the outcome of the action of this contentious | Sicawei, bills by way of contrast. Shanghal section? Not one that is solid or serviceable, but, I is divided into three parts by 'two large on the contrary, loss, suffering, proverty, lack of | creeks; the British settlement being in the employment, and general "short commons." I middle, the French on the right, further up And these leaders who have created confusion | the river, and the American on the left. lower down. Its principal glory is the Bund, or long wide street or terrace facing the river, composed of fine buildings of all orders of architecfall to their own share; who seize the substance | ture, about the middle of which stands the Custom House, a red-brick structure of academic or these leaders must, forsooth, attempt to dictate to I monastic appearance, with a tower in the centre governments whom they shall admit within their | from which chimes ring out every quarter, and borders and whom they shall exclude 4 and this a deep-toned bell announces the passing of the at all risks of involving the Imperial Govern- hours. The houses on the Bund are both for business and for residence, many combine the powers. And the penumbra of an approaching I two functions under the same roof-office below. trouble is at the present time dimly visible in | barracks above. Passing the Club. of which our relations with Japan on this very subject. I more snon, the Bund crosses a bridge to the "What is meant; " asked the Minister for Agri- | French settlement, where it ceases to be interestculture and Commerce of Japan of a South | ing to the traveller, and loses itself in regions Australian Register interviewer, "What is where English feet seldom tread. The front meant by the Conference resolution, 'That part of Hongkew, the American settlement, is a Chinese Restriction Acts shall apply to all mass of consulates and shipping offices, and at coloured races?"" The interviewer gives the the end of the Bund, nearest this quarter, are substance of his answer in the following the public gardens, small in size but picturexque, and laid out with winding paths. "He was informed, of course, that so far as rockeries and shrubberies, so arranged as Tapan was concerned it meant simply that to give the visitor an impression that it is Japanese immigrants to Australia would be I three times as large as it actually is. The town placed in precisely the same position as Chinese | band plays there nearly every day, and often on moonlight nights in summer, and under the leadership of an able conductor. Senor Vels. discourses really excellent music. From the gardens to the other end of the British Settlement, a broad fringe of turf, skirted with trees. stretches along the river-front. The Bund is crowded at all hours of the day by foot passengers and vehicles. Next broughams. victorias, dog carts, drawn by sleek Chinese posies. and driven by Celestial coachmen in strange liveries, pass and repass; flocks of inrikishas, some running swiftly and smoothly along on spider wheels, hand-carts pushed by panting

places. It was clear that the attitude of Australia one comes to accept it as natural. At the end playing mertly at their head. A certain popular in respect to the Japanese was somewhat offen- of the Ma-loo are the inevitable sace-course, Editor, with an eye to effect, wished me to don a Government has entire control is the customs that their servants illegally semoved certain sive to the dignity of his Government, and that cricket ground, tennis lawns, golf links, and unless that attitude was modified considerably recreation ground-all comprised in one large but small business would be arranged between open space, which seems to be a reclaimed the two countries. So far as Queensland is swamp, for a little rain interferes with play and concerned, the Japanese market would be a dis- compels the various committees to close their tinct advantage, and its less through the absurd respective grounds. The Bubbling-Well Road and dog in-the-manger tactics of the labour | begins here, and goes inland about three miles leaders would be one which the future would I to the fountain from which it takes its name. A vernment. The Japaneze are as little disposed to I made a pilgrimage to it on foot one afternoon, submit to indicatey as any other power, while expecting to find a mineral well with a pumpwilling to fall in with any reasonable suggestions | room, or at least a fountain, built up in some way | well up to their work, though the solemnity, of which may be made regarding the prejudice of to make it conspicuous. It is so inconspicuous the white races, or the danger of racial labour | that I passed it without seeing it, and found competition. For the rest they would consent to | myself at the end of the road, looking right and do business on reasonable business lines, but in left and all around for some sign of it. There the doing of it they har some of the restriction; being a hotel on the spot, I went in and asked to a municipality which has fairly earned the which the convention of Premiers has placed in a boy to guide me. He sent me back on my epithet model, or to criticise the shortcomings will trade as other nations trade, but will be no by the toadside, its parapet standing about two incubus of high officialism, has made exception to the role. Japan is rapidly becoming feet above the ground, its area about six feet by | Shanghai thou. envy of less fortunate a manufacturing pation of goods and commedities four, its depth about ten feet to the surface of cities. And yet, why is there not a General of distinctly European design and utility. There | the water. Nothing mineral about this well, | Post Office in Shanghas, instead of the multiis no end to the Japanese in itative faculty; what- but much vegetable: a thick, green scum pilicity of national postal agencies. hidden limit of Japanese genius to copy and complete. | three little jets of water from the bottom bubbled | Nobody knows, apparently, where they are, and From electric machinery to scented soaps ; from like boiling soup. The road to the well is, how- in spite of spanmodic expeditions in seach of gamut of Western Invention and manufacture and is used every afternoon for all these purposes | course the offices have some means of getting appearing, and within a few years-so few as | with a sudden per-r-ring! just behind his back. | want to buy stamps and post cards, if the Club to be within the range known as the near future. Here the cavaller displays his equestrian skill on cannot supply what you want, you must do -there will be but little which Western gentus a slim Chinese pony. Here the larler portion without, unless you are a person not to be distake the air, while the more energetic a post-office. It may have been that the persons cover the miles on foot. Here carriagesfull of I applied to were singularly lacking in topogra-Chinese ladies, who, having painted their fices | phical information, but I invariably got a direcand attired their bair, drive out to astonish the tion to a post-office which led me out of the world, make part of the endless procession, beaten tracks to nowhere in particular. Topo-Chinese and foreigners have their respective graphy is a strong point with neither foreigners There is a Country Club for Europeans, which | "rickkies" reminds we that, invited to dinner is, as it were, a combination of the Tanglin Club one night, I spent two hours in a jinrikishs, out, a little distance from the road, there is a of garlic at every breath, wandering through similar institution patronised by the Chinese, the length and breadth of the three settlements. the difference between the two corresponding to sent hither and thither by Europeans to whom the difference in national tastes and habits. During my stay in Shanghai I lived in the cold dinner at one of the hotels. neighbourhood of the Bubbling Well Road, and my most vivid memory of the locality is the number and persistency of the moigultoes. From dusk till one is safely under the mosquito-curtain there is no peace from these irritating peats. Sometimes not even under the curtain, for each year as the mosquitoes come in with the spring, the household "boys" have to be instructed snew in the art of keeping them outside the klambu. or curtain, when making the bed. This is done chiefly by breaking in upon their midnight slumbers, and calling them up from their dreams to slash around with a damp towel, so that their lord and master may rest in peace for the remainder of the night: They thus become careful to remove the necessity for another

midnight call. Every one in the East has heard of the Shanghai Club, and every one who has lenjoyed its hospitality pronounces it the best institution of its kind out of India. It is an imposing building on the Bund, near the French settlement, and it caters well for the numerous wants of the luxurious European in the East. It possesses an excellent library, comprising a very wide range of literature, and one forgets the passage of time amongst its treasures, in its snug quarters, and on reply :-Its comfortable settees. But the sight of the Club is the bar at noon. The Atrium of the Club is a sort of upofficial business and gossip exchange, and the bar is on the left-a long room, with a broad counter running from end to end, where at noon the male population of Shanghai stands six deep, preparing for tiffin with cocktails. One marvels at the rapidity with which the boys take and execute the volleys of orders fired at them for the space of half an hour. Long practice has made them lightning artists in the concection of

the favourite appetiser of North China. Heyond the foreign concession, which the white man forced from the reluctant yellow man about the middle of this century, stands the ancient walled city of Shanghal, between which and the model Settlement there is practically no intercourse or communication. Of the hundreds of thousands planed up in the narrow streets and alleys within the wails of the old city, the greater part has never passed its gates, and of the hundreds of foreigners in the settlement not many have pencirated beyond the ancient brick ramparts of the city. Thus the civilizations of East and West, civilisations ancient and modern, sit cheek by jowl, but do not converse. There is a barrier of language and tradition, thicker than those ancient walls, between them. I went through the old city with a friend, who could speak Chinese, during my first wisht to Shanghai, but I need not try here to recall my impressions of it, for one Chinese city is like every other, and I have paid a more recent visit to another native town. Ningpo, which will be described in a future.

The foreign settlers thoroughly understand the art of amusing themselves, and they have a programme of recreations for day and night in Shanghai, there seemed to be a general recog- | through, nition that spring had come, though the weather was wet and cold, and so the spring regatts was held on the river on a Saturday afternoon, which luckily proved fine-one of the three fine days I had in a stay of three weeks. A reach of the river was walled off by a large pontoon and a long line of house-boats, leaving open a straight course, one mile in length. The house-boats were gay with bunting, and some of them prettily decorated with flowers and drapery, for the enterprising youth of Shanghai was entertaining its lady friends, and did it in style. Between races, the bolder spirits made calls on various house-boats in punts, or displayed their skill with the sculls for the admiration of the speciators, as a kind of intimation that all the best oarsmen had not entered for the races. The smile, and he was heartily welcomed, because siderable time. As might have been expected just as the first race started, a Chinese steamer came snorting down the middle of the course. its note to the bank, where the spectators were pleased to see that it had run aground. Its prothe tide was going down, and the trespasses The most interesting event of the day was a race for men-of-war's cutters, to which the cutter of the China station, went to win a certain victory. because his intelligence hinted to there gaudier garments are to be seen. What with might and main, but did not overtake her that there were several points in Strikes the visitor, who comes from the Straits. until she had covered herself with laurels. The treaty which were adverse to the where he has been accustomed to the sallow or British element amongst the speciators were in

red shirt, aboulder an axe, and hidemy brow under a winged believe of white leather, not unlike other long men in the van of the procession. It rests with the Government at Pekin, was all my obstinate humility could do to resist the importantly of that public-splitted man. the proceedings with interest, and was struck companies-British, French and German-were their task was somewhat interfered with by the jocular criticisms of friends and acquaintances in the gaping crowd.

It would ill become me to offer a suggestion

With a stay of three weeks in China before me, I turned over in my mind several plans for seeing something of the country. To Peking wid Tientsin was suggested, but the trip would take fully eighteen days to and from Shanghai, and if an expedition to the Great Wall were included. nearly a month. Up the Yangtse-klang to Hankow would take eight days, and a house-boat excursion up the river was out of the question. owing to the continual rain. I heard of the sacred island of Pootoo, famous for its ancient temples and its crowds of plous hermits, and being assured that the journey would take only a few hours from Ningpo. I decided to go thither and indulge my tasts for ancientry. How I went to Ningpo, how I fared and what I saw and did there, will be told in my next latter. Three weeks in China is three years too short to get an people. Still one gets impressions - such as they are. Perhaps my readers would like to know the impression made on a Chinese amah by our beloved country. She went home with an English family from Shanghal, and, on her return, she was asked how she liked the Land of the Red-headed Devils. This was her

"My go London. Plenty houses-plenty shop—plenty man—plenty-go-look-ice. My go Scotlan'-no houses, no man,-no go-look-see. Too muches chin-chin Joss." A translation is unnecessary. Will my countrymen take this impression on the benighted heathen mind as a compliment?

CHINA AND ITS FUTURE.

POSSIBLE TAXATION. An exhaustive and highly interesting statement as to the present and future figancial prospects of China is contained in the report sent to the Foreign Office from Consul-General Sir Nicholas Hannen at Shanghal. It is from the pen of Vice-Consul Scott, who prefaces his review by remarking that the year 1805 was one that cannot but be memorable in the annals of China, inasmuch as it witnessed the conclusion of a war which laid bare the hopeless inefficiency and ineptitude of the present system of Government, and has proved to all the world, if not to China herself, that radical reforms have become absolutely necessary if the nation is to make any progress at all. The question which will naturally occur to many is this: What effect is the war likely to have on the trade of China, and narticularly on that part of it in which we are most interested? Is there any prospect of China being opened up at last, and of her freely inviting the cooperation of those best able to assist in putting her house in order? To the last query regret to say the only answer is, there is no prospect at all. Nothing that has transpired since the signing of the treaty of Shimonseki encourages one to think that the responsible statesmen or the local officials are one whit the which varies with the seasons. While I was wiser or better for the experience they have gone

> FACTORS IN THE SITUATION. There are, however, two new factors in the situation resulting from the war, both of which appear to me likely to have far-reaching consequences. The first is the right to import machinery and establish manufactures at the open ports, and the second is the heavy foreign debt which China has now, for the first time, been obliged to incur. It appears to be beyond doubt that the cotton-spinning and weaving industry in Shanghai has a great future before it. and it is difficult to see what is to prevent China in time, manufacturing the whole of her yarn, and a very considerable proportion of the cloth which she now buys in the forms of drills and sheetings, and even the commoner forms of shirtings. It seems thus certain that before long there will be considerable shifting of the existing lines of trade between China and England. It by no means follows, however, that Mr. Hugh McCallum the Secretary, and Capt. On the contrary, it may even be a gainer. N. J. Ede the only unofficial member. Mr. All our experience shows that China has been Hastings (of Mr. Victor H. Descon's office) a good customer up to the fall extent of her means. She takes value in goods for firm, and Mr. A. B. Johnson (Crown Solicitor) everything she sells. The other new factor in the situation is the large foreign debt which China has been obliged to incur to discharge the were-Messes. M. Grote, T. I. Rose, and Paul Japanese indemnity. The total national debt of Jordan. fund combined cannot be less than 15,000,000 or

of investigation and enquiry to Australia and other | and south-until from its healthy universality | the field with much pemp and pageantry, a band | to foreign trade. The only part of the plaintiffs had suffered damage to the extent of national income over which the contral \$800. In their answer the defendants admitted revenue. The tariff is fixed by treaty, and no cockloits from the premises and they paid the increase of duty can be imposed without the sum of \$75 into court, that being a sufficient that which Pallas Athene was supposed to have | consent of the signatories to the treaties; but | sum to replace the cocklofts in the condition in worn, and thus adorned to march with a few the disposal of the revenue, whatever it may be, which they were when removed by the defen-SALT AND LAND TAX.

the garb of a private citizen, however, I watched provincial Governments ever attempt to make venience or loss whatever to the plaintiffs of out anything like a budget. What the Peking interfered with or prevented the carrying on of with the admirable delli of the men. All the Government does instead is to send out in the their business. month of November or so of each year a regulattion or indent on each province, stating what | there was one cockloit on the ground floor. sums it will require to have forwarded in the two on the first floor, and one in the course of the ensuing year, and occasionally it front portion of the second floor. On the specifies the particular branch of revenue out of afternoon of the 8th May a police constable in which it is to be taken, but usually it is a demand | the employ of the Sanitary Board gave plaintiffs on the province generally. The Peking Govern- notice that the cocklosts were to be removed by ment usually contents itself with making the the following morning; if they were not the the way of ordinary business conditions. They tracks and I found the well-a small, stone tank of a body which, happily free from the demand, leaving it to the provincial Governments. Board, would pull them down themselves. This to find the ways and means as best they may. Of order was entirely lliegal, but the plaintiffs did the several sources of revenue, the only ones that | not know that and they engaged a carpenter to can be readily increased are the salt and the likin. remove the cockloits. About 8 o'clock on the The land tax by a fundamental law of the following morning the carpenter and his coolies Empire, dating as far back as the middle of last | went to the shop to remove the cockloits. About ever Europeans can manufacture is within the mantled on its surface, through which two or away in the holes and corners of the town? century, was fixed once and for all, and to tam- the same time a Sanitary Board gang, consistper with that in the present enfeebled state of ling of constables, soldiers, and coolles, arrived at the Government would probably be to provoke the shop. There would probably be a dispute locomotives to ladies' underclothing; the whole ever, a pleasant road for a walk, or a drive, them, I found them not. Not one of them. Of a rebellion. The salt trade, again, has so many as to the time operations were commenced. The vested interests hanging round its neck, and plantiffs would say that the damage was done is within their scrpe and power. The small by the citizens. Here the bicycle shoots swiftly their letters away, and private individuals can these, too, of wealthy and influential men, that between 8 and 9 o'clock, while the defendants remnant of Eastern exclusion is rapidly dis- and noiselessly along, terrifying the pedestrian post their letters at the Club, but, when you it would not be easy to get much additional alleged that the work was not commenced until revenue out of that. The provincial authorities 10 o'clock, ' However, when the gang arrived all have thus no help for it but to fall back upon | the goods had been removed from the cockloft on the likin. The tariff here is of their own mak- the ground floor and the front cocklost on the of the population foll in their carriages and couraged by the apparent impossibility of finding ing, and they can alter it at will.

A COURSE FATAL TO TRADE. It need not be repeated here what has been | gangs, one on the ground floor and the other on said so often, that of all possible forms of tax- the first floor. The men appeared to be in a ation the likin system is the very worst, . It is great hurry, probably because they had other costly, cumbrous, and vexatious even if well houses to visit and when plaintiffs asked for administered, and in China it is simply a field | time to remove all the goods the men refused to recreation grounds on or near this famous road, nor jinrikisha coolies in Shanghai. Talking of for wholesale peculation. It combines the give it. They demolished the cockloites as maximum of cost to the people' with the quickly as possible, the consequence being that minimum of benefit to the Government. No some of the valuable goods on the back cockloft and the Ladies' Lawn Tennis Club, and further | behind a coolie who favoured me with a whiff one, indeed, has said harder things about it than on the first floor fell to the ground. They were the Chinese themselves, as the pages of the Peking trampled under foot by coolles, mixed with dust Gazette can testily. And yet, in spite of all, it and dirt, and so sustained very considerable appears only too probable that an attempt will damage. After receiving notice to remove the I applied for guidance, and finally had to take a be made to obtain the additional money by an cocklofts the plaintffs requested 'Mr. Danby to increase in the likin levies. No course will be | visit the premises. He went there about 8 o'clock more fatal to trade, and eventually to China on the morning of the oth May and was so herself, than this. It will only draw still more impressed with what he saw and with the closely the strings which already are choking the high-handed manner in which the work was flow of commerce, until absolute strangulation being done that he saw Mr. Ede and Mr. will be the result. No produce will be brought | McCallum. They visited the premises about to market, and of course nothing will be bought | 2.30 in the afternoon, but at that time the damage in return; each village will have to subsist as | had been done. On the 16th May Mr. V. H. best it can on what it produces. - But, it may be | Descon wrote a letter to the Colonial Secretary asked, what then is China to do? If she must on behalf of the plaintiffs stating that the plainhave money, and if she cannot increase her land | tiffs had suffered unnecessary damage to meditax, nor her Customs tariff, what can she do I cinal goods owing to the Illegal action of the The fact that the Customs revenue has grown plague workers, and hoping that his Excellency 21,000,000 tacls in 1895, while the other branches paid. On the 12th June the Colonial Secretary of revenue have been stationary, or nearly so, replied that his Excellency the Governor had ought to suggest what she should do. Incresse | caused inquiries to be made respecting Mr. the facilities for inland transport rather than Danby's letter which had been published in hamper them, and trust to the natural ex- I the press and owing to the answers received adequate idea of the country and its interesting pansion of the revenue. Promote in every in response to those inquiries he regretted possible way the bringing of native produce he could not accede to the request conto the foreign market. China's purchasing tained in Mr. Deacon's letter. The damnower depends entirely upon what she ex- aged goods were afterwards sold by auction and ports. She cannot buy unless she sells, but they fetched to per cent on the original cost the more she sells the more she will buy, and the price. Notice of the sale was given to the Crown revenue will grow with the growth of trade. CHINA'S CAPACITY.

> taxation whatever. She might be a loser for a few years, but she would certainly be the gainer and interference with business. in time, and probably in no long time, either. And if in addition to that, she would have the courage frankly to enter on a railway development, either by borrowing the money or by granting concessions, a new era would soon set | working by piece, so much for the job. Every in for this ancient country. China is a country, thing was in a state of confusion and the coolies of wast potential wealth, but of very little realised | were shouting. wealth. She has little gold or silver to give in exchange, but she has a most fertile soil, a benign climate, and a hard-working and frugal population. There is nothing that the world desires which she cannot produce in abundance. Her power to purchase depends entirely upon her ability to bring her produce to market. This again depends upon the facilities which Government gives for internal transit, that is to say, by removal of all existing fetters, and by opening up roads, deepening and preserving waterways, and, above all, by the introduction of railways. To sum up what I have been endeavouring to say : Of the two new factors that the war bas introduced into the situation, the first is full of promise, both to China herself and to foreign trade. It will bring capital much needed to co-operate with labour on the spot in producing more cheaply than it can be done elsewhere what is an article of universal demand. The second factor may be either a blessing or a curse according as it is used. If it only leads China to do what she will at first sight be tempted to do. viz., to tighten the existing fetters on trade, it can but lead to national bankruptcy. If on the other hand, China is led under the pressure of want and the guidance of her best friends, of whom we may without affectation say England is one, to reform altogether her antiquated and obnoxious system of finance, the indemnity which she has had to pay to Japan, heavy as it is, will have been a blessing in disguise.

INTELLIGENCE.

SUPREME COURT SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

(Bafora Mr. T. Sercombe Smith, Acting Pulsme Judge, and a Special Jury.) September ard.

ANOTHER SANITARY BOARD CASE. This was a claim for \$800 damages caused by the illegal acts of persons employed by the Sanitary Board, of which the Hon. F. A. Cooper is President, Dr. F. H. Clark, Medical Officer, appeared for the plaintiffs, the Man Yik Tong

was for the Sanitary Board. The gentlemen constituting the special jury

China now stands, or will soon stand, at about . Mr. Hastings read the pleading which set £40,000,000. Though this is a mere begatelle forth that the plaintiffs are merchants and as compared with the potential wealth of the dealers in Chinese drugs and medicines and country, it is a good deal for China under the | carry on business at on Bonham Strand. The present system of government. The demand on first five defendants were, on the oth May, memthe national exchequer for interest and sinking | bers of the Sanitary Board, and Inspector Reidle was a sanitary inspector in the employ 16,000,000 tacks per annum, and though the Cust of the Board. The plaintiffs occupied the ground toms is amply sufficient to meet that, it allows | and first floors of oc, Bonham Strand and also very little over as free revenue to the Govern- a portion of the top floor, and they owned ment. The present customs revenue is about cockleses erected therein. On the oth May 21,000,000 taels. We must allow about 2,000,000 | the defendants or their servants or agents for costs of collection, maintenance of lights, wrongfully, and illegally, entered upon the and other indispensable outlay, so there is a plaintiffs' premises and caused great damage free surplus for the Government of, say, about by pulling down the cocklosts and wholly 3.000.000 tacks only, Instead of 10,000,000 tacks, 'semoving the materials. 'The defendants also Princes' reef in Sunda Straits on the 15th The extra drain on the exchaquer thus entailed |caused great damage to valuable goods stored August. She was still hard and fast on the Another fine Saturday afternoon gave the must before long involve additional taxation on the premises and caused great inconvenience an avident objection to the poll-tax system, and seem at first unnatural, and one thinks involun- various companies of the famous Shanghal Fire in some from or other, and the particular and loss to the plaintiffs, interfering with and Batavia to take measures for salving the cargo. concluded by mentioning that he was arranging tarily of the rouge-pot-to which the Chinese Bilgade an opportunity of holding a competition from its which it is improved is a matter preventing the derrying do of the business. On Two males and nine of the crew was then est he send a thecoughly representative concatents lady to without death addicted, both in the secretion Ground They marched to of the the secretion Ground They marched to of the the secretion Ground They marched to of the the secretion Ground They marched to the secretion Ground They marched to of the the secretion Ground They marched to of the the secretion Ground They marched to of the the secretion Ground They marched to the secretion Ground They marched to the secretion Ground They marched to the the secretion Ground They marched to the secretion Ground They marched the secretion

dants. The delendants denied that they caused great or any damage to any of the goods stored Nelther the Peking Government nor the on the premises, or that they caused any incon-

Mr. Hastings, in expisining the facts, said

first/floor, but the back cockloft was still full of goods. Work was at once commenced by two from 7,000,000 or 8,000,000 taels in 1864 to the Governor would order compensation to be Solicitor and the representatives of the Sanitary Board were at the sale. Counsel then explained Instead, therefore, of putting extra taxes on I the legal bearings of the case and concluded by trade in inland transit, the best thing that China saying that there were three items under the could do would be boldly to abolish all likin head of damage, wir., damage to the goods, damage to the cockloits, and damage for trespass

Evidence in support of the pleadings was then called. Mr. Danby said he visited the premises at 8 30 on the morning of the oth May. The coolies appeared to be working against time-

The hearing was continued the whole day and ultimately adjourned until this afternoon.

September 4th.

At the conclusion of the evidence for the defence at 4 30 p.m.: the Jury retired for about a quarter of an hour, returning with a unanimous verdict for the plaintiffs for \$434.05. &c. damage to goods \$263 of ; damage to cockleft \$70 ; for trespass St. and for compensation for loss through illegal interference with plaintiffs' business \$100.

Mr. Hastings saked that costs of the suit be granted to plaintiffs.

His lo dship agreed, and accordingly entered judgment for plaintiffs, with costs.

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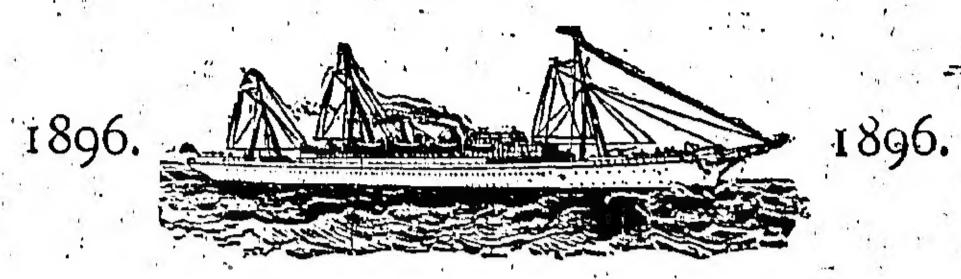
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"BELGIC" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA and YOKOHAMA, on SATURDAY, the 12th September, 1896, at Noon. Connection being made at Yokohama with Steamers from Shanghal

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Nagazaki, Kobe, In- Tuesday, 27th Oct., land Sea, Yokohama at Noon.	Tacoma 2,549 Sunday Sept. 13.			
and Honolule)	Vicioria 3.167 Monday Sept 21.			
	Olympia 2,608 Friday Oct. 9.			
HE U. S. Mail Steamship	Brasmar 3.601 Tuesday Oct. 27.			
"PERU" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, 114	Tacoma 2,549 Friday Nov. 23.			

HAMA and HONOLULU, on TUESDAY, Captain Whistler, R.N.R., sailing at Daylight, the 23nd September, 1896, at Noon, taking on SUNDAY, the 13th September, will proceed

via AMOY, FOOCHOW, SHANGHAI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA. Steamers of this line pass through the IN-Through Bills of Lading issued to Japan, LAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at Honolnin. Pacific Coast Points, and to Canadian and and passengers are allowed to break their United States Points.

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